

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims in this application as follows:

1. (Presently Amended) An information receiving device, comprising:

a receiving means for receiving a program to be transmitted;

an operation means for operating points corresponding to [a viewer's response to the request of] a response program, said points being allocated to a memory when said response program is viewed in its entirety by a viewer [which requests a viewer's response]; and

a recording means for recording specifying information in said memory, said specifying information including said [to specify a] response program[,] and the points operated by said operation means at least, when the program received by said receiving means is said response program.

2. (Presently Amended) The information receiving device according to claim 1, further including[;]:

a response program determination means for determining whether or not the program received by said receiving means is said response program.

3. (Presently Amended) The information receiving device according to claim 1, wherein[;]:

said recording means also records [the] contents of [the] a viewer's response to the response program.

4. (Presently Amended) The information receiving device according to claim 1, further including[;]:

a transmission means for transmitting the recorded contents in said recording means.

5. (Original) The information receiving device according to claim 1, further including:

a pay program determination means for determining whether or not said program is a pay program; and

a processing means for performing accounting to the points stored in said recording means, when said program is a pay program.

6. (Presently Amended) A method for receiving information, comprising:

a receiving step for receiving a program to be transmitted;

an operation step for operating points corresponding to [a viewer's response to the request of] a response program, said points being allocated to a memory when said response program is viewed in its entirety by a viewer [which requests a viewer's response]; and

a recording step for recording specifying information in said memory, said specifying information including said [to specify a] response program[,] and the points operated by said operation step at least, when the program received by said receiving step is said response program.

7. (Presently Amended) The method for receiving information according to claim 6, further including[:];

a response program determination step for determining whether or not the program received by said receiving step is said response program.

8. (Presently Amended) An information transmission device, comprising [wherein]:

a transmission means for transmitting a program [is provided]; and

allocation means for allocating points corresponding to a response program when said response program is viewed in its entirety by a viewer, [which requests a viewer's response and]

whereby specifying information [to specify that] corresponding to said response program is [are] transmitted [together] with said response program by said transmission means.

9. (Presently Amended) The information transmission device according to claim 8, further including[;]:

a receiving means for receiving responded data from the viewer corresponding to [the response request of] said response program [transmitted from an information receiving device].

10. (Presently Amended) A method for transmitting information, comprising [wherein]:

a transmission step for transmitting a program [is provided]; and

an allocation step for allocating points corresponding to a response program when said response program is viewed in its entirety by a viewer, [which requests a viewer's response and]

whereby specifying information [to specify that] corresponding to said response program is [are] transmitted [together] with said response program by said transmission step.

11. (Presently Amended)

The method for transmitting information

according to claim 10, further including[;]:

a receiving step for receiving responded data from the viewer corresponding to
[the response request of] said response program [transmitted from an information
receiving device].